

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Marc D. Etchells
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Title: SHAPED ABSORBENT PADS
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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on November 24, 2008,
Applicant respectfully submits the following Amendment. A Request for
Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed concurrently herewith.

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